

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:19 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, December 18, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8049–50.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 137 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

MIDDLE EAST POLICY AND STRATEGY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States policy and strategy in the Middle East, after receiving testimony from Ryan C. Crocker, Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs; Eric S. Edelman, Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments; James F. Jeffrey, Washington Institute for Near East Policy; and Stuart E. Jones, The Cohen Group.

COUNTERTERRORISM GUIDANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on new counterterrorism guidance from Nathan Sales, Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State; and Major General Albert M. Elton II, Deputy Director for Special Operations and Counterterrorism, The Joint Staff, and

Andrew Knaggs, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Operations and Counterterrorism, both of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Margaret Weichert, of Georgia, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Andrei Iancu, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and Duane A. Kees, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, Stephen R. McAllister, to be United States Attorney for the District of Kansas, Ronald A. Parsons, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota, Ryan K. Patrick, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, and Michael B. Stuart, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia, all of the Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 4642–4660, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 4292, to reform the living will process under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–465).

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Privacy Notification Technical Clarification Act:

The House passed H.R. 2396, to amend the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act to update the exception for certain annual notices provided by financial institu-

tions, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 275 yeas to 146 nays, Roll No. 682.

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Rejected the Maxine Waters (CA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 185 yeas to 235 nays, Roll No. 681.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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